

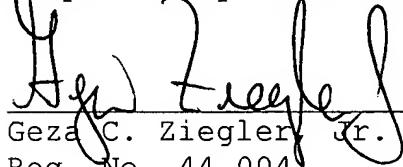
III. REMARKS

1. Claims 6-12 are withdrawn without prejudice. Claim 13 is amended. Claims 1-5 and 13-15 are pending in this application.
2. Applicant elects claims 1-5 and 13-15 (Group I as identified by the Examiner) for further prosecution on the merits in response to the restriction requirement. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application regarding the subject matter of the withdrawn claims.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.

Respectfully submitted,



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